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to Town of Wellesley Department of Public Works

from Sasaki Associates

project name Babson College - First Year Residence Hall

project # 26208.00

subject Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

This memorandum summarizes the analysis of project-related impacts on the Town of Wellesley Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The proposed First Year Residence Hall is located entirely within the Babson College campus with no direct frontage on public roadways. The intersection of Wellesley Avenue and Forest Street is approximately 350' from the closest edge of the proposed Residence Hall. Forest Street has a sidewalk on the southern side, closest to campus. The sidewalk extends through the intersection with a striped pedestrian crossing. This sidewalk also extends approximately 140' west along the southern side of Wellesley Avenue where it terminates at a paved pedestrian walkway from campus. The northern side of Forest Street and other portions of Wellesley Avenue have no sidewalks in the vicinity of this project.

The proposed residence hall will not change pedestrian or bicycle patterns at the intersection of Wellesley Avenue and Forest Street. Students using the new building will be parking in campus lots. Bikers and pedestrians will be primarily arriving from and departing to other areas of campus. Bicycle racks and storage will be provided at the proposed building.

The building will provide three handicap accessible entrances in close proximity to adjacent accessible routes on campus. Site walkways at the perimeter of the building and within the newly-formed quadrangles will provide bicycle and pedestrian connections to other residential halls, educational facilities and athletic areas.

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